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§ 575.412 Release of Iraqi goods from bonded warehouse or foreign trade zone.

Section 575.204 does not prohibit the release from a bonded warehouse or a foreign trade zone of goods of Iraqi origin imported into a bonded warehouse or a foreign trade zone either prior to the effective date or in a transaction authorized pursuant to this part after the effective date.

NOTE: Pursuant to § 575.201, property in which the Government of Iraq has an interest may not be released unless authorized or licensed by the Office of Foreign Assets Control.

§ 575.413 Goods intended for export to Iraq.

The prohibitions contained in § 575.201 do not apply to goods manufactured, consigned, or destined for export to Iraq and not subject to § 575.517, if the Government of Iraq has never held or received title to such goods on or after the effective date, and if any payment received from the Government of Iraq with respect to such goods is placed in a blocked account in a U.S. financial institution pursuant to § 575.503. The prohibitions of § 575.205 apply to goods subject to this section.

§ 575.414 Imports of Iraqi goods and purchases of goods from Iraq.

The prohibitions contained in § 575.201 shall not apply to the importation of Iraqi-origin goods and services described in § 575.204 if the importation of such goods is permitted by an authorization or license issued pursuant to this part. However, any payments in connection with such importation are subject to the prohibitions contained in §§ 575.201 and 575.210.

§ 575.415 Setoffs prohibited.

A setoff against a blocked account, whether by a U.S. bank or other U.S. person, is a prohibited transfer under § 575.201 if effected after the effective date.

§ 575.416 Travel transactions for journalistic activity in Iraq.

(a) Section 575.207 does not prohibit travel transactions in Iraq by persons regularly employed in journalistic ac-

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tivity by recognized newsgathering organizations.

(b) For purposes of this part:

(1) A person is considered regularly employed as a journalist if he or she is employed in a constant or regular manner by a recognized newsgathering organization. Free-lance journalists should have an assignment from a recognized newsgathering organization requiring travel to Iraq, or be able to demonstrate that publication by a recognized newsgathering organization of a work requiring such travel is likely. The latter may be demonstrated by providing a resume listing previously-published free-lance works or copies of previously-published works.

(2) *Recognized newsgathering organizations* include those entities regularly and principally engaged in collecting news for publication in the public press, transmission by wire services, or broadcast by radio or television.

(c) Authorized travel transactions are limited to those incident to travel for the purpose of collecting and disseminating information for a recognized newsgathering organization, and do not include travel transactions related to any other activity in Iraq.

§ 575.417 [Reserved]

§ 575.418 Transactions incidental to a licensed transaction.

(a) Any transaction ordinarily incident to a licensed transaction and necessary to give effect thereto is also authorized, except a transaction by an unlicensed, blocked person or involving an unlicensed debit to a blocked account.

(b) *Example.* A license authorizing the Government of Iraq to complete a securities sale also authorizes all activities by other parties required to complete the sale, including transactions by the buyer, brokers, transfer agents, banks, etc.

§ 575.419 Transactions in Iraqi debt.

Section 575.533 authorizes U.S. persons to trade in Iraqi commercial or sovereign debt in secondary markets, subject to the following conditions:

(a) Such debt was not held in the United States or within the possession

or control of a U.S. person as of May 23, 2003, see § 575.533(b)(1), (c); and

(b) Unless licensed or otherwise authorized by the Office of Foreign Assets Control, no U.S. person is permitted to enter into any transaction, including an attempt to collect on debt, with persons or organizations determined by the Director of the Office of Foreign Assets Control to be included within § 575.306, persons on the Defense Department's 55-person Watch List, or persons identified by the 661 Committee pursuant to paragraphs 19 and 23 of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1483, adopted May 22, 2003, see § 575.533(b)(3).

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Subpart E—Licenses, Authorizations, and Statements of Licensing Policy

§ 575.500 Licensing procedures.

For provisions relating to licensing procedures, see part 501, subpart E, of this chapter. Licensing actions taken pursuant to part 501 of this chapter with respect to the prohibitions contained in this part are considered actions taken pursuant to this part.

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§ 575.501 Effect of license or authorization.

(a) No license or other authorization contained in this part, or otherwise issued by or under the direction of the Director of the Office of Foreign Assets Control, shall be deemed to authorize or validate any transaction effected prior to the issuance of the license, unless specifically provided in such license or authorization.

(b) No regulation, ruling, instruction, or license authorizes any transaction prohibited under this part unless the regulation, ruling, instruction, or license is issued by the Office of Foreign Assets Control and specifically refers to this part. No regulation, ruling, instruction, or license referring to this part shall be deemed to authorize any transaction prohibited by any provision of this chapter unless the regulation, ruling, instruction or license specifically refers to such provision.

(c) Any regulation, ruling, instruction, or license authorizing any transaction otherwise prohibited under this part has the effect of removing a prohibition or prohibitions contained in Subpart B from the transaction, but only to the extent specifically stated by its terms. Unless the regulation, ruling, instruction, or license otherwise specifies, such an authorization does not create any right, duty, obligation, claim, or interest in, or with respect to, any property which would not otherwise exist under ordinary principles of law.

§ 575.502 Exclusion from licenses and authorizations.

The Director of the Office of Foreign Assets Control reserves the right to exclude any person, property, or transaction from the operation of any license, or from the privileges therein conferred, or to restrict the applicability thereof with respect to particular persons, property, transactions, or classes thereof. Such action shall be binding upon all persons receiving actual or constructive notice of such exclusion or restriction.

§ 575.503 Payments and transfers to blocked accounts in U.S. financial institutions.

(a) Any payment of funds or transfer of credit or other assets, including any payment or transfer by any U.S. person outside the United States, to a blocked account in a U.S. financial institution located in the United States in the name of the Government of Iraq is hereby authorized, including incidental foreign exchange transactions, provided that such payment or transfer shall not be made from any blocked account if such payment or transfer represents, directly or indirectly, a transfer of any interest of the Government of Iraq to any other country or person.

(b) This section authorizes transfer of the funds of a blocked demand deposit account to a blocked interest-bearing account under the same name or designation as was the demand deposit account, as required pursuant to § 575.203 or at the instruction of the depositor, at any time. If such transfer is to a blocked account in a different U.S. financial institution such transfer must